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DECLARATION OF MING-TAIN LAI UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132

I, Ming-Tain Lai, hereby declare as follows:

1. I am a citizen of the United States, and am over 21 years of age. A copy of my curriculum vitae is attached at Exhibit A.

2. In October 2002, HPLC assays of BACE1 (β-site amyloid precursor protein cleaving enzyme) were regularly conducted under my control and supervision at my laboratory at Merck's facility in West Point, Pennsylvania. Among the compounds tested were a series of phenylcarboxamide compounds, which were designed and synthesized by medicinal chemists working at Merck's West Point, Pennsylvania laboratories.

3. The BACE HPLC assay, which was a standard Merck assay, was developed by me and other biologists at Merck's West Point laboratories. The assay was designed to detect cleavage of a coumarin-labeled 10 mer peptide (coumarin-REVNFEVEFR), using either a Waters 2690 Alliance or Alliance HT HPLC instrument. The assay procedure is generally described in International application no. WO 2004/099376.

4. The BACE HPLC assays were conducted according to the following procedure. A reaction buffer was formed of the following ingredients:

MATERIAL	AMOUNT (μl)
4X NaOAc, 200mM, pH 4.5	25
BSA, 1mg/ml (Bovine Fraction V, Sigma #9647)	2.0
EDTA, 150mM, pH 4.5	10
10% CHAPS(Pierce, #28300)	2.0
Deferoxamine Mesylate, 50mM (Sigma, #D9533)	2.0
b-BACE1 (20nM, 20mM Tris, pH 7.2)	10
H_2O	31

5. 8 µl of compound (in DMSO) was added to 90 µl of the reaction buffer, and the resulting mixture was incubated at room temperature with shaking for 30 minutes.

6. Thereafter, 2 µl of the substrate coumarin-CO-REVNFEVEFR (50µM) (as described in WO 2004/099376) was added to the mixture. The resulting mixture was maintained at 25°C for 30 minutes with shaking. The reaction was quenched with 25µl of 1M Tris-HCl pH8.0.

7. Samples of the mixture were then centrifuged in a tabletop centrifuge at 15K. For analysis with the Alliance HPLC instrument, 60 µl of the supernatant was removed. For analysis with the Alliance HT instrument, 50 µl of the sample was passed through a filtration system (Millipore, 0.22 µm hydrophilic) prior to HPLC analysis.

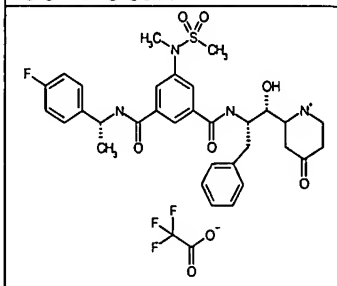
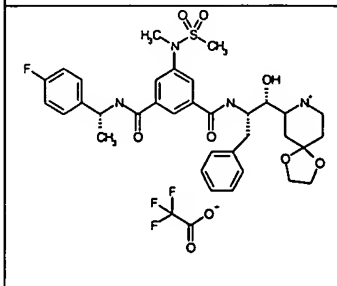
8. The HPLC conditions involved an Xterra RP18 column (3.5 µm, 2.1 x 150 mm). The mobile phase consisted of solvent A (0.05% trifluoro acetic acid in water) and solvent B (0.045% trifluoracetic acid in acetonitrile), according to the following gradient:

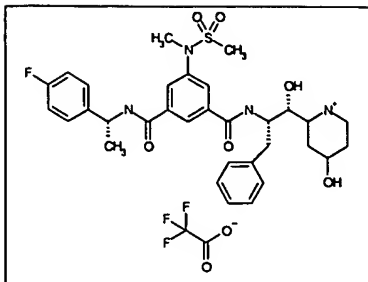
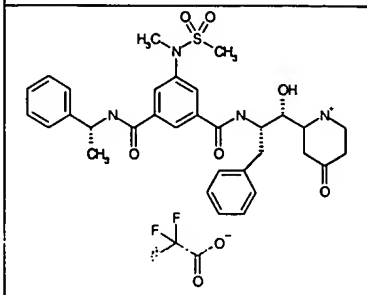
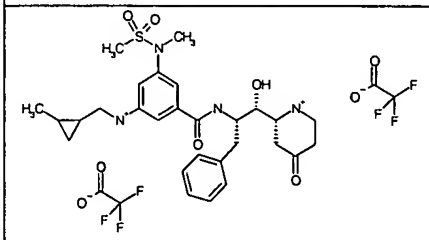
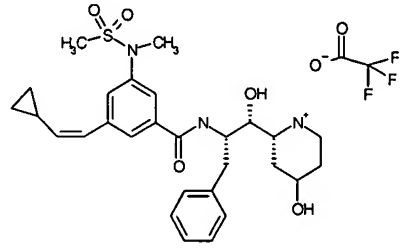
Time (minutes)	Percent Solvent B
0	19
3	25
4	95
5	19

Sample injection volumes were 50 µL for the Alliance and 25 µL for the Alliance HT. Detection was measured at 340 nm (excitation) and 440 nm (emission). Percent inhibition was measured according to the following formula:

(1-(area of product peak) of (E+S+compound)/area of product peak of (E+S)) x 100

9. The results of the HPLC assay for selected phenylcarboxamide compounds are set forth below:

COMPOUND	Date of Testing	Inhibition of BACE1 (nM)
	June 7, 2002	3
	June 7, 2002	220

	June 10. 2002	1
	July 9, 2002	3.5
	July 17, 2002	46
	October 7, 2002	11

10. I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the instant application or any patent issued thereon.

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3/22/93	Department of Chemistry, National Taiwan University, "Mechanistic Study of the Inactivation of Medium Chain Acyl-CoA Dehydrogenase by (methylenecyclopropane)acetyl-Co-A"
2/13/95	Department of Chemistry, National Taiwan University, "Characterization of a Stable, Novel Norcaradiene Adduct Resulting from the Inactivation of Thymine Hydroxylase by 5-Ethynyluracil"
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